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4) ☐ Claim(s) 2-9,11-13,16-20,25 and 33-51 is/ar 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withd 5) ☐ Claim(s) 2,8,9,11,12,25,33-37,43 and 45-48 6) ☐ Claim(s) 3,4,6,7,13,16-20,38-42,44 and 49-57) ☐ Claim(s) 5 is/are objected to. 8) ☐ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and Application Papers	rawn from consideration. is/are allowed. 51 is/are rejected.	1.	
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 2. Claims 3, 6-7, 13 and 49-51 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Power et al. (Chem. Com., 1998, (8), 873-874).

The reference discloses a method of preparing the poly(anthrax-9,10-quinone-2,6-diyl shown below formula 1, which is useful for electrochromic display and as charge injection layers in electroluminescent.

The commercial compound of 7 was converted to 8 and after reductive acetylation of 8 by zinc dust to obtain the anthracene 9. The compound 9 reads on the present formula IIA wherein -CH₂- is replaced by -OAc- at R^{5-6} and $R^{1-2} = Br$ (z=1, g=1 and a=0).

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The reference also discloses the polymer 10 derived from precursor polymer 4, which was derived from adduct 6. The polymer containing monomer 10 reads on the present formula I2k wherein -CH₂- is replaced by -OAc- at R⁵⁻⁶.

OAC

$$X$$
 ACO
 CO_2Me
 CO_2Me

3. Claim 4 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by CAPLUS 2001: 449553.

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The reference compound represented by RN-361449-39-0 shown below anticipates the claimed compound of formula I1 with simplify R¹¹-A¹-G¹-A³-R¹² formula

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$$(R^{11}=R^{12}=OAc,\,A^1=A^3=\,(t-Bu)_2-Ph$$
 and $G^1=$

RN-361449-39-0:

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112

4. Claims 16-20, 38-42 and 44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

In claims 38-40 and 44, the claims do not have antecedent basis because claim 37 contains only repeating unit G.

In claims 41-42, there is no variable "z" in claim 37.

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For claims 16-20, the language of the claim dependency should be written as same as claims 45-48 for clarity.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 2, 8-9, 11-12, 25, 33-37, 43 and 45-48 are allowed.

Claim 2 requires at least one "G-A-G" for the core.

Claim 37 requires at least one polymerizable P-Sp at anthracene core.

6. Claim 5 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Response to Arguments

- 7. Applicant's arguments, see remarks, filed 11/9/11, with respect to the rejections of the previous Office action have been fully considered and are persuasive in part. For the claim 13, the polymerizable can be Br. Therefore, the rejection over Power is still maintained. However, upon further consideration of newly added and amended claims, new grounds of rejections are made in view of the sections 2-4 cited above.
- 8. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shean C. Wu whose telephone number is 571-272-1393. The examiner can normally be reached on 10:30 AM to 7:00 PM.

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